

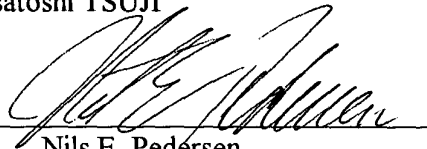
**REMARKS**

The present Preliminary Amendment is submitted to delete the multiple dependency of the claims, thereby placing such claims in condition for examination and reducing the required PTO filing fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY FEE DUE IN THE  
FEE COLLECTION ACCOUNT IN THE  
ACCOUNTING SYSTEM